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NAACP Protests Against Krugerrands And South African Consulates

NEW YORK -- The Pittsburgh NAACP and 'Pittsburghers Against



AWAITING OATH -- Eliseo Solis (second from right) is awaiting to be sworn in as the first Hispanic Lubbock County Commissioner in the 137th District Court Tuesday morning. It is a tradition for all incoming Lubbock County officials to be sworn in at 10:00 a. m. January 1st. Shown with Commissioner Solis are: (from left to right) Cleo Rogers, constable; B. J. Blalock, justice of the peace; Solis, and Boyd Roberts, county commissioner.

Judge Robert Wright, presiding judge of 137th District Court, administered the oath to all officials. (Photo by Earnest Burton)

Apartheid picketed Kaufman's department store in downtown Pittsburgh last week demanding that the store stop selling the South African Krugerrand gold coin. Joining the demonstration was Pittsburgh Mayor Richard Caliguiri, who was then advised by Kaufman officials that the store would stop selling the coin.

The coin, selling for about \$350.00, supports the South African apartheid system and "slave labor," said Charles Kinzie, chairman of the African Foreign Affairs Committee of the Pittsburgh NAACP branch. The coin is mined in South Africa, he said, where black laborers receive \$1 for their efforts, while white workers receive \$5.

Ms. Kinzie said letters have been sent to Gimbel's department store and two coin exchanges urging them to stop selling the Krugerrand. He said he expects full cooperation from Gimbel's and the coin exchange, "because they do not want us picketing in

Preaches First Sermon



Eddie Brown

Eddie Brown of Lubbock will preach his first sermon Sunday evening, January 6, 1985 at 7 p. m. at the Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church, Rev. J. H. Ford, pastor.

He is the son of Mrs. Lavina Brown, and is married to the former Marilyn Bowie, daughter of Elder and Mrs. L. F. Bowie.

The Browns have two sons -- Keenan and Eddie, Jr.

Mr. Brown invites all of his relatives, friends and acquaintances to hear him preach his first sermon.

Graveside Rites Held For Lubbock Woman

Graveside services were held Monday for Deborah Kay McCutcheon, 28, at the City of Lubbock Cemetery.

South Plains Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Miss McCutcheon died at 12:30 a. m. Thursday in Lubbock General Hospital.

According to Justice of the Peace L. J. Blalock, Miss McCutcheon died of massive internal bleeding from two deep stab wounds to the chest.

Police, at this report, are

looking for a 51 year old man, James Ogden, in the stabbing death. Miss McCutcheon was stabbed at the Nightbeat Club, 218 18th Street about Wednesday, December 26th, at 8:40 p. m.

According to police, Ogden of 4801 Avenue Q, room 67, allegedly stabbed his commonlaw wife at the club.

Other reports recall that Miss McCutcheon hit him (Ogden) on the head with a folding chair.

unfortunate fatalities for the holidays.

This local committee has pledged to turn all profits from its various activities back into the community or some charity selected by their guest each year.

This year, the committee donated \$1,000.00 to the Gwen Bolden Foundation in California (the helping of children); \$1,000.00 in local scholarships; and \$500.00 in food to two families, both Thanksgiving and

Juneteenth Committee Spreads Joy!

The Lubbock Juneteenth Committee spreads holiday joy each year. This Christmas, members of the committee purchased food baskets for

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Touring Kaleidoscope Brings Art Adventure To In Lubbock

Like Peter Pan's Never-Never Land, Kaleidoscope is an adventure for children only.

But instead of children having to leave Lubbock, Kaleidoscope, housed in its new portable building, is coming to visit them January 9 through January 16.

This adventure is a participatory arts program for children ages 6 to 12, developed and presented as a public service by Hallmark Cards. In an hour's time, a child can compose a song on a musical computer, play a steel drum to an accompanying calypso tune or draw and punch out his or her own jigsaw puzzle.

Kaleidoscope will come to Lubbock under the sponsorship of the Junior League of Lubbock, announced Rachael Chambers, director and designer of the traveling exhibit and the permanent Kaleidoscope in Kansas City, Missouri.

Kaleidoscope will be at the Ranching Heritage Center Parking lot. It will be open to school and civic groups by reservation only weekdays, Wednesday, January 9

through Wednesday, January 16.

Kaleidoscope will be open to the public on the weekend on a limited admission, first-come-first-served basis. Sixty-minute sessions are scheduled for the public at 9, 10 and 11 a. m., and 1, 2, 3 and 4 p. m. Saturday, January 12, and 1, 2, 3 and 4 p. m. Sunday, January 13. There is no admission charge for tickets which are available 30 minutes prior to each session.

To add to the excitement of the children's exhibit, the Kaleidoscope road show is traveling in its own unique portable building. Tucked inside two 45-foot trailer trucks, it is transported to a city and then, within a matter of hours, converted into a bright yellow building with nearly 2,000 square feet of floor space, enough room for up to 50 children per session.

"Cities that have strong civic-minded volunteer organizations are chosen as host sites for the traveling exhibit and workshop," said Ms. Chambers.

"The sponsoring group



AT KALEIDOSCOPE, every child can become a puppeteer! These hand puppets, fashioned from honeycomb and paper scraps, are only one of seven art projects a child may choose to make during the hour-long creative session.

commits to a tremendous amount of preparatory work and the staffing of the art exhibits. Although Hallmark transports the exhibit, supplies the necessary furniture and art materials and provides a staff consultant, the Lubbock Junior League is

responsible for providing a location to place the exhibit and securing the 100 volunteers needed to assist the children during the Kaleidoscope sessions.

Parents bringing their children to the traveling exhibit will be able to view their children through portholes. Children progress through the two-part program where time is divided between exploring art elements and creating art.

Children's artwork, created from nearly a ton of materials donated by Hallmark Cards to each city's exhibit, includes puppets, masks, yarn jewelry and encaustic pictures. All artwork belongs to the child who created

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Minorities Receiving State Contracts

Texas' small businesses captured a third of all state agency purchasing contracts worth about \$700 million during fiscal year 1984, according to a report submitted to Governor Mark White by the Texas Economic Development Commission.

State contracts with minority owned or operated businesses totaled \$101,599,619 or 4.73 percent for the same period. This represents a 3 percent increase over fiscal year 1983.

"I am pleased to see more small and minority businesses competing successfully for state contracts. In May 1983, I issued an executive order directing each state agency to establish a goal of awarding a minimum of 10 percent of its purchase and service contracts annually to small and minority businesses -- with 30 percent of these contracts reserved solely for minorities," Governor White said.

"During fiscal year 1984, state agencies exceeded that goal. I look to the small business assistance programs operated out

of the Governor's Economic Development Office and to the bid resource centers operating in different parts of our state to improve on this contract award record in the next fiscal year," the Governor said.

Council Of 100 To Hold Inaugural Breakfast

The Council of 100 Black Republicans will hold its second Samuel C. Jackson Midnight Inaugural Breakfast in Washington, D. C. on January 21, 1985. Elaine B. Jenkins, chairperson of the Council, and President of One America, Incorporated, announced last week.

The inaugural breakfast is named in honor of the late Samuel C. Jackson, prominent Republican lawyer and government executive who founded the Council of 100 in 1975. The Council is "dedicated to providing the Republican Party

The 187 state agencies reporting out of the 235 surveyed indicated a total \$2.1 billion was spent in fiscal year 1984 on state purchases of commodities, supplies, professional and general services, and construction projects.

For further information, contact the Texas Economic Development Commission, (512) 472-5059.

purpose of the Council will be honored. A reception will be held at 11:30 p. m. at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, and the breakfast and awards ceremony will be conducted between 12 midnight and 2:00 a. m.

Some unique mementos honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. may now be obtained from the International Stamp Collectors Society. A special Martin Luther King memorial collection of postage stamps is being offered. The collection includes two complete uncanceled souvenir sheets issued by the United Arab Emirates, plus 106 United States stamp commemorating our fallen leader. These ordering these items will also receive the U. S. stamps which pay tribute to President John F. Kennedy and Robert Kennedy.

Checks or money orders for \$12.95 should be sent to the International Stamp Collectors Society, P. O. Box 854, Van Nuys, California 91408.

its Black American awareness and conscience, and has done so for almost a decade," according to H. Minton Francis, one of its spokesmen. The Council has established Task Forces to monitor most of the major agencies and departments of the Federal Government, and from its mentorship it develops and presents program initiatives on behalf of Black Americans to Cabinet officers, agency heads and the White House Staff.

At the January 21 breakfast several prominent persons who best exemplify the spirit and

Postal Issues Honoring Dr. King Now Available

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Cherry Point Meeting Set

Residents of the Cherry Point addition are invited to attend the regular monthly meeting of the Cherry Point Neighborhood Association Tuesday, January 8, 1985 at the Housing Authority Office, 515 North Zonith Avenue.

The meeting will begin at 7 p. m. with the president, Olney Williams, presiding.

YWCA Opens Winter Session

The YWCA of Lubbock announces registration for its Winter Session, 1985. Registration begins Wednesday, January 3rd, and will continue daily. Classes will begin the week of January 7th.

A wide variety of exciting classes and activities await you in the areas of aquatics, gymnastics, dance, enrichment education, computer classes, and physical fitness. Men, women, boys and girls -- preschool through senior citizens -- are invited and urged to participate.

Nursery facilities are available in the mornings and evenings, Monday through Friday.

For more information, visit the YWCA at 35th and Finl, or call 792-2723

Proud College Graduate



Verna Thompson

Verna Thompson, a 1980 Estacado High School graduate, received her Bachelor's degree in marketing from North Texas State University at Denton, Texas Thursday, December 20, 1984.

She is the daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Verdell and Lene Thompson of 1935 East Colgate Avenue. She is also a member of Christ Temple Church of God in Christ, Bishop W. D. Haynes, pastor. Congratulations, Verna!

Musical Program Set



Christ Temple Choir

The Christ Temple Church of God in Christ Choir will be featured in a Musical program Sunday afternoon, January 6, 1985 at 3:30 p. m. Special guest will be Rocky Ellis of Lubbock on the Electric Guitar.

If you miss this service, you will miss a spiritual treat. Bishop W. D. Haynes, pastor, along with the choir extend to you a cordially invitation to worship with us.

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Where Do We Get On Board?

by
Eddie P. Richardson

Someone tells us about low interest loans for economic development, about bond money, about programs to help depressed areas and even some of this money is going to unauthorized projects and areas. When it all works out, we (Blacks) are left out and uninformed.

Before we really get started, let's pause and wish everyone -- the whole world -- a Happy and Prosperous 1985, and every American their equitable share of the big economic recovery the Reagan administration is so happy about. Hope we can get on board and get our share of the economic recovery. We put a brother and a Mexican American sister on board on the Lubbock City Council, but where do we go from here? Somewhere along the way, God did not abandon Black people. White folks and even high class Black folks did, and God is not happy.

A quote from Mayor Coleman Young of Detroit, Michigan: "All the police in the world can't solve this problem, and all the jails in the world can't solve this problem." He was referring to crime, muggings, stick-ups, and etc. There has to be a better way. Solution could be No. 1, Jobs; No. 2, Job Training; and No. 3, Times have just got to get better.

As Black people, we know by our faith that a better day is coming, and tough times don't last -- but tough people do. We are survivors, we're God's children. Trouble don't last always. Things just got to get better for us, because we ain't gonna give up, things gonna get better by and by because we have faith and we are looking to tomorrow.

Life is a banquet and most of us are starving to death because of our lack of faith and determination. We have set backs and disadvantages, but with strong confidence, willingness and hard work, we can achieve success. We have to have and maintain a positive mental attitude and a desire, and ability to do hard work and give 100%. If this is done, we can achieve whatever we desire. We know that drought and famine have made it tough in Ethiopia and one million people will die because of it in 1985, but on the other hand, we wonder if it was a white country if this would have happened to one million people?

The high wave of crime which is disgusting, devastating and annoying, but there is a cure -- jobs and not more weapons. We need jobs and food, no weapons and war. Poverty and high unemployment, especially among young Blacks, contribute to the rise in crime. All the police in the world and all the jails in the world won't solve this problem, but jobs sure can and will help.

Along with parents and parental supervision, the curfew is good for night, but we need some jobs, recreation and cultural programs for daytime activities.

We are going to look for some positive things and happenings in 1985. We, especially, hope to see some good economic development in our area in 1985. For example, the East 34th & Quirt Avenue overpass. Hopeful, a business incubator, moderate cost new housing.

Reading the latest issue of *Jet Magazine*, this writer found this article "Black Students Study More Than White Ones." It reads in part: "When it comes to hitting the school books, U.S. students spend an average of 5.4 hours a week studying but Blacks study more than whites, revealed an annual school report from the Census Bureau in Washington, D.C. The federal report stated: 'Blacks spend 5.6 hours a week studying compared to 5.4 hours for whites and 5.3 for Hispanics. The sharpest difference in study habits was for students in public high schools who spend 6.5 hours receiving school work compared with 14.2 hours for those in private high schools, the study said.'

If this keeps up and we get off birth control, maybe, just maybe in the next couple of generations, we can get on board the American dream merry-go-round.

A last minute thought: Heard Paul Harvey mention a recent study by some psychologists which revealed one of the things that has changed sports so much in recent years. The reason said, the study revealed, *Sports have become so much more than just a game. Sports have replaced religion.* Think about it!

TIM'S AUTO TIPS

WHEN REPLACING TIRES it's best to buy four of the same size and type. If you're just replacing one or two, put the new tires on the rear wheels for better traction.

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from

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First Black journalist
ever elected to Congress



Let's Hope Bishops Gain Courage Of Convictions

On Sunday, November 11, less than a week after the national elections, a special panel of American Catholic bishops issued its long-awaited analysis of the nation's economy. For a few days at least, the contents of that document rivaled the election itself as a topic of discussion.

Entitled "Catholic Social Teaching and the U.S. Economy," the 50,000 word letter declared that current levels of unemployment in the United States are "morally unjustified," that widespread poverty in this country is a "disgrace" and a "scandal," totally unbecoming one of the wealthiest nations in the world.

Quite predictably, the proposed pastoral letter evoked strong negative reaction in corporate board rooms across the nation, and similar responses could be found in some conservative quarters of the Catholic Church.

While finding little fault with its contents, liberals and progressives widely denounced the timing of the letter's release, contending it should have been made public prior to the election when it could have made a "political difference." They say had it been issued before November 6, the letter's strong position on economic justice just might have counterbalanced the bishops' strong public opposition to abortion -- something that assumed drumbeat proportions as the day for going to the polls drew near.

In the eyes of many, the bishops elevated the rhetoric over the abortion issue and conveniently chose to ignore broader social concerns, thus putting the Catholic Church in league with Reagan and right-wing evangelicals.

The draft statement will undergo at least two more revisions before becoming an official policy of the National Council of Catholic Bishops, the group that oversees the 52-million-member Roman Catholic Church in the United States.

But just what was contained in the pastoral letter that made it such a point of contention? Here are some pertinent quotes.

"As pastors and citizens we are convinced of one fundamental criterion for economic decisions, policies and stipulations: They must all be at the service of human beings. The economy was made for people, all people, and not the other way around."

"The country is doing far less than it might to generate employment, and it shows no sign of making full-scale commitment to this goal. As moral teachers our first responsibility is to call for a change in direction, for the formation of a new national consensus that overcoming unemployment is at the top of the nation's economic agenda."

"In our judgment, the distribution of income and wealth in the United States is so inequitable that it violates minimum standards of distributive justice."

If our nation is to rise to the challenges before it, we shall have to see a significantly increased level of collaboration and cooperation among the many economic factors in our society."

A very strong document, so progressive that Carl T. Rowan stated in his nationally syndicated column: "I cannot resist observing that portions of this letter read as if they were plagiarized from the Democratic convention speech of Rev. Jesse Jackson. Which is to say that the letter is morally courageous and compelling."

Why, then, did the bishops wait until after the election to release their statement? Archbishop Rembert Weakland of Milwaukee, chairman of the panel preparing the letter, speaking on the Today Show the Monday following the letter's release, said they "made the decision more than a year ago," so it wouldn't appear they were trying to influence the election.

But, of course, their primary purpose should have been to do exactly that. If the things they wanted to say had important political implications, then it was a dereliction of duty not to say them in what they knew would be one of the most political climates in this country this century.

Can one take seriously the commitment of rightists who shoulder their weapons precisely when the shooting starts? In another sense, the bishops acted as though their pronouncements were of no more importance than a statement on the state of baseball before the World Series, and could, therefore, just as well be withheld until after the games were played.

In the draft letter, the bishops call upon the Catholic Church to work

Letter to Editor

"Happy Holidays"

Dear Editor:

In too many corners of the world the spirit of Christmas has been murdered. To this caught up in these areas this is a season of horror with no cause to be merry. Too many parents are forced to look into the eyes of their children and experience the effects etched there-in by hollow expectations.

The money I would ordinarily have spent for fancy cards has been allocated to funds being raised by people all over the world who are reaching out in a meaningful attempt to give true meaning to "PEACE ON EARTH GOODWILL TOWARDS HUMANKIND." However, I could not let this time pass without personally expressing my appreciation for your friendship through the years and to wish you and yours a holiday season embraced by all the thoughtfulness and tenderness with which it was created.

Sincerely,
William L. Rowe

Child Watch

by
Marian Wright Edelman

Tax Fairness and the Poor

Tax reform is currently one of the hottest topics of political debate in the country. Congressional leaders and the Treasury Department have produced various tax reform proposals. The issue merits close attention, because our current federal income tax system is grossly unfair.

As this debate progresses, we must make sure that the politicians pay priority attention to the group which is now suffering the worst of the current system's inequities: America's working families who live in poverty or slightly above the poverty line. Black families are disproportionately represented in this group. These parents and their children are carrying an unfairly heavy tax burden. If we do make sweeping changes in our tax system, they should be first in line for tax relief.

How do we see that this happens? First, we have to clear up a widely held misconception: that this nation's poor pay little or nothing in federal taxes. In fact, millions of individuals and families living in poverty pay federal taxes--income, Social Security, or both. Since the poverty line is based on income before taxes are figured, a high tax burden can drag a family just above the line down into poverty, or further impoverish a family which is already technically poor.

Among the poor, single-parent households and large families are currently bearing the largest tax burdens. In 1984, a poverty-level traditional family of four would have to pay about \$1,026 out of a \$10,613 income in taxes--while a family of four with the same poverty level income but headed by a sole working parent would pay close to \$200 more. The tax bite represents 12 percent of the single-parent family's already marginal income--or roughly \$100 a month less that a single mother or father can spend to feed and clothe these three children. As of 1983, 53.6 percent of all black children were growing up in single-parent families.

The tax burden on the poor has been getting worse in recent years.

for "genuine policy objectives rather than mere pious wishes." It is hoped that between now and the time the letter becomes official policy, the bishops develop the strength to become spirited fighters for their own statements.

If not, their after-the-fact actions will prove to be just as impotent as their before-the-fact decision, when they concluded that any comment they authored would be too controversial to be permitted to create waves in election-year waters.

The Black Press: Guardian Of Human Rights

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By Charles E. Belle

President Stands By Approving Research Rape on a Regular Basis

Dr. Rosalind E. Cape is capable of recognizing a rape victim at first glance. Dr. Cape is a graduate of Harvard University and has a Ph.D. in Molecular Biology. Buck Rogers he is not. However, he is a bio-technologist, which puts him far in advance of the average engineer, doctor or day dreamer concerned about cures for cancer and improvements in human living conditions.

Dr. Cape, a geneticist, or genetic engineer, is concerned with using "the common language of all living creatures" to create substances "that will do for us what our bodies would do if they could." Blueprints for life are written in a chemical code called DNA.

Dr. Cape's work is to splice or recombinant DNA to produce the results you request for a healthier, happy life. He is no genius. Rather he relies on basic research created in the universities, corporate and college laboratories around the country. Alas, the administration's policies are putting an end to his industry's future work.

Why is Dr. Cape, Chairman of the Board, Cetus Corporation, crying about the country's lack of leadership in basic research including among other areas biotechnology? Because he too is an American, proud of its heritage and hurt by the administration's cutbacks to build up the war defense is being recognized for its rape of another basic part of America. Its ability to be first in science. Since World War II, the U.S. has won dozens of Nobel Prizes in the biological sciences. Nobel Prizes are awarded for excellence in basic research. Raping of its basic research funds while fundage a war machine is the maneuver which eventually will make the U.S. a "used" biotechnology country. A field which Dr. Cape feels if the present rate of funding for basic research is not increased by the federal government, the country can forget its leadership in the field.

The good Doctor is calling out for help while there is still some time. In his speech during the first week of October, before the Commonwealth Club of California, entitled "Biotechnology: Sayonara to the U.S. Edge," he admits the "other guys," Japan included are dead set on taking the lead, pure and simple. Since this is an area "to save and enhance lives, revolutionize industry and growth for our economy," it deserves our full attention. Instead, the funds which in the past that have been allocated to basic research have been raped by the drunken military binge of the budget by orders of the President of the United States.

Between 1980-1982, the number of families in poverty paying federal income tax rose by more than 100 percent and the amount of taxes they paid increased by 58 percent.

Researchers attribute the growing tax burden on the poor to a variety of causes. In part, it is due to increase in the flat Social Security payroll tax. While inflation has pushed up the poverty line each year, in recent years it has not been taken into account in the income tax provisions which protect families against taxes on low incomes.

While the poor's tax burden has been going up, social programs designed to ease their plight have been falling, the victim of federal budget cuts. Combined, these two trends provide a large part of the reason that American children have been falling into poverty at a record rate--3.3 million since 1979.

It is time we changed a tax system that produces such unfortunate results.

GETTING ALONG BLACKS AND JEWS

Dear Doctors: You two always defend the Rev. Jesse Jackson, arguing that there's no evidence he is either anti-Semitic or anti-Israel. His "Hymietown" remark should pretty well prove otherwise. And in a recent interview, New York City Mayor Ed Koch said some blacks were anti-Semitic. Being that the Jewish people have helped your people throughout time, why then are many blacks anti-Semitic? I feel you should let men enough to admit he is indeed anti-Semitic -- J.E.S., Houston, Texas.

Dear J.E.S.: Our knowledge of an experience with Jesse Jackson is much greater than yours and we believe, as do some Jews, that he is not anti-Semitic. You're relying on media coverage -- full of distortions and omissions -- to draw your conclusion. We suspect no evidence to the contrary would change your mind.

Black Jewish conflict is unfortunate, but it's more complicated than Jackson's "Hymietown" comment. This issue requires open minds and hearts to keep nit in check; pointing fingers won't help.

You quoted Mayor Koch as saying that some blacks were anti-Semitic. That's true. It's also true, however, that some Jews are anti-black. Some New York City blacks have accused Koch of being anti-black. Other blacks are concerned about the fact that Jackson was widely criticized for a "ritual" hug with Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat, while there was almost no reaction to the comment made by the late Israeli foreign minister, Moshe Dayan, that the low level of intelligence of black troops has hurt the American military.

Such charges and countercharges only make matters worse and aren't the underlying cause of increased black and Jewish conflict -- only the symptoms. As usual, the problem is largely economic. You mentioned that Jews have done much for blacks, but that blacks were still anti-Semitic. Yet black political and economic support of Jews is a well-known part of the informal black-Jewish mutual pact. As blacks push for greater power and privilege in a social system with a limited amount of both, there will always be other races and ethnic groups -- not just Jews -- who will get there before us.

We must focus on finding a way for all to share fairly in the opportunities of our land more than we focus on who said and did what. Those are diversionary and delaying tactics, whether used by blacks or whites. We hope you'll be man or woman enough to admit that.

Dear Doctors: Why don't blacks unite to help themselves independently and without crying and blaming others? That's the real road to

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 by
 Dr. Charles W. Faulkner



UNDERSTANDING LONELINESS

Have you ever been lonely? Did this condition cause you despair and depression? If so, you are like millions of others who experience the same phenomenon even though they are reluctant to admit it. Loneliness can take many forms:

Rejection: Perhaps a longtime friendship comes to an unpleasant abrupt end. Maybe you are fired from your job after having made enormous, unrewarded sacrifices.

Misunderstood: You want to be friendly but others misinterpret your motives. You simply can't get close to other people because of the difference in ideas.

Alone: You know a lot of people but you don't feel really close to any of them. You don't feel that you can express yourself and receive understanding, compassionate responses.

4. Scared: Suppose you lose a close family member. Suppose you suffer an illness. Who would take care of you? Can you handle it alone? You just don't know.

5. Uncertainty: You don't know what to do with your life. You don't like your job. But should you change it? You are lonely. But should you get married? What does the future hold for you?

6. By Yourself: You are ill and cannot visit your friends. Your former acquaintances seem to have forgotten that you exist.

This is the terrible reality. No one seems to care about anyone else. It seems that everyone has his own problems that occupy all of his time. Once you accept the reality of the world, you can then take some steps to resolve the terrible loneliness with which you are confronted.

But what do you do? People tend to find a fantastic number of ways to deal with loneliness. Some of the methods are good and some simply make the problem worse. Some of the escapes from loneliness are enter graduate school, join a singles club, use drugs, move to another city or visit discos. Some of these techniques may even create new problems. Following are a few steps that you can take to cope with loneliness:

1) Change your style of living. Volunteer your services to community organizations, join a church, try to spend more time around people and less time alone.

2) Rely on your own capabilities to solve your problems. Stop depending on other people who may actually be lonelier than yourself. You don't have to be alone if you really do not want to be.

3) Use your time constructively. Exercise, improve your education, learn a skill, play sports. There are a lot of ways that you can fill your empty time with things that will make you a better person.

4) Find a person who understands your plight and with whom you can talk personally about your situation. A sympathetic acquaintance can provide you with a wonderful opportunity to release your pent-up frustrations.



MAURICE BARRON, 49, has been elected Vice President and Director of Taxation of Safeway Stores, Incorporated. Barron is a Certified Public Accountant and has a BA in accounting and an M.A. in taxation and has been with Safeway 9 years.

R. J. REYNOLDS

**And
 Minority Business**

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. --A key advocacy organization for minority business has received a contribution from R. J. Reynolds Industries, Inc.

The Interracial Council for Business Opportunity (ICBO), which helps minorities acquire and expand their own businesses, has received a \$9,500 grant from Reynolds Industries. This represents a 21 percent increase over RJR's 1983 gift to ICBO.

Marshall B. Bass, R.J. Reynolds vice president, said that ICBO has made an outstanding contribution to minority business enterprises in its 21 years of existence.

"Our company shares the goals and objectives of ICBO, and we believe ICBO has clearly established itself as an important advocate of the free enterprise system through its efforts to foster the development of

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Social Security & You

by
**Jewel Love
 Service Representative**

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- 3) Appeals council review. If the person disagrees with the hearing decision, he or she may ask for a review of this decision by the appeals council.
- 4) Federal court action. If the person disagrees with the appeals council, he or she may bring civil action in a federal court.

A hearing is the first step for a person who has been found no longer disabled.

The person must ask for a reconsideration within 60 days from the date the notice of decision is received. The person should contact any Social Security office.

The people there will help with the request for reconsideration, which must be in writing.

If the decision is to stop or reduce the amount of the person's check, he or she has the right to have the payments continued unchanged while the case is being reconsidered. But to do this, the person must apply for a reconsideration within 10 days of the date the notice is received.

For more information about appealing SSI decisions, contact the Lubbock Social Security Office, located at 1611 9th Street. The telephone number is 743-7381. The people there have more information about appeal steps, including the time limits for applying for a hearing, review, or filing suit in a federal court.

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ENTERTAINMENT DINING THEATRE



"COTTON CLUB"
BLACKDROP FOR BLOOD & BLONDE

NEW YORK CITY --William Keeney and Francis Coppola's story of the fabled Cotton Club cabaret is more the blood and blonde exploits of mobsters Owney Madden, Dutch Schultz, Charles "Lucky" Luciano and "Mad Dog" Vincent Coll than the launching pad of internationally acceptable Afro-American immortals, living and dead. However when Robert Evans set out to produce this epic he made it clear that it would not be a "Black Movie." It isn't. His plan is not to fight for what media bigots have dubbed "cross over audience has worked beautifully. Based on the initial take behind national critical eyes, as one critic penned it, "Coppola's all singing, all dancing picture is machine-gunning towards a vox of a bonanza."

Like the scribe, some historians will be shocked eyeing the marquee of the Cotton Club and the Lafayette Theatre sharing shadows when in reality they were 11 blocks apart and on different avenues. It was Connie's Inn that was next door to the legendary vaude house in the shade of "The Tree of Hope." Though the major Black story is glossed over in favor of mob violence, Robert Evans has given Orion Pictures an exciting vehicle to roll across the big silver. Gregory & Maurice Hines master their major roles well as did lovely Lonette McKee, Thelma Carpenter and Hani Coles handle small roles in a big way. Larry Marshall is a creditable Cab Calloway. Bob Hoskins is a convincing Owney Madden and James Remar is a cold blooded psychopathically believable Dutch Schultz. So many of us got credits for this one, listing would require another write around. Go see "The Cotton Club," in between the throat cutting and machine gunning you will love the dancing and the music. Most of it is from the genius of the late Duke Ellington with added ships and flats from Andy Razaf, Fats Waller, Maceo Pinkard, Harold Arlen and Ted Koehler.

THE GOOD TIME ROLLED!

It's Big Apple Opening was large time and B'way hasn't eyed anything like it in ages. They fouled out however by failing to include seat assignments with the gift edge invitations. So there was such a standing in the aisles and tough words tossed at those holding seats by the rows for delinquent late comers. Understand Harry Belafonte walked out in the confusion. My Isadorable and I would have followed had not a decent security guard found us replacements for the Richard Gere seat he said we were sitting in. There were no problems at Gracie Mansion where Mrs. Olivia Ward, the Police commissi's talented spouse, who was hostess of a pre-party event at the Mayor's abode. It was a happening that was stylish in its elegance and grace. The guests were up to their eyeballs in celebrities, ex-Cotton Club luminaries and lovelies. This one brought out more old friends than a wake. In focus were Cab and Chris Calloway, Maurice Hines, Dorothy Rhodes, her daughter Melba Perkins and her grandson Ronald Perkins. Also Juanita Boissau, Estrellita Brooks, Edna Mae Holly, Vivian Harris, Bessie Dudley, Chickie Martin, Elvira Davis, Bobby Short, Josephine Premise, Vivian Brown, Alma Davis, Marion Egbert and Theresa Merritt, star of the B'way hit, "Ma Rainey's Black Bottom."

RIP: --For upwards to six decades Charlie Buchanan was a mentor to many. He was buried last week and befittin the role he played in life his final rites were punctuated by men and women of substance. All were achievers whose deeds make democracy seem workable. Having taken a page out of Charlie's book all have refused to allow the sickness prejudice to infect their drive for success. Their presence was living proof that his life will be sustained because of his living dialogue with a wide range of humanity composing a conglomerate range of talents. His initiative in this vein made the Savoy Ballroom a world class testing ground upon which great music makers were able to forge an indestructible immortality for giving the world sounds with soul. Charlie Buchanan not only lived a good life, he made it better for so many others.

NEWS NOTES: --Ethel Sissle, spouse of the late Noble Sissle, died in Ca., her son, Noble, Jr., and daughter Cynthia were at her bedside during her final hours. The Doll League, which she founded when she lived in N'York, will hold a memorial service in the Big Apple in early '85. Thelma and Howard Fitzhugh spent Xmas with their grand children in San Francisco by caroling on the cable cars. Naylor promised to spend some time with Dr. Carlton Goodlett if he isn't traveling abroad. Lloyd Von Blaine has moved back to DecCoe after selling his countless room M.I. manse to Philly coke chairman J. Bruce Llewellyn. Feeling is that Lloyd may once again try his hand in the supper club biz in the 1st City. The news in from South Africa is that the film folk there are shooting a

The Bird

His name is Mezzie R. Nichols, and he is the "Rich's Chicken" who loves to act crazy. "I love girls, but I don't have many friends because you never know why they really hang around you. Most of them, just need some money and don't really want to share their friendship," says Nichols.

Looking back over his life, Nichols admits he's been on his own. "I've even won a Michael Jackson Look and Dance Alike contest."

Not only has he been interested in portraying a positive Michael Jackson, but he has directed a T.V. commercial for Rich's Chicken, and has acted in one of the two commercials.

He says, "In the future, with the Lord's will, of course, I plan to be a professional mascot for the Houston Oilers."

"You see, being on my own, I've learned you must look out for yourself. When I was in high school, I was the mascot for the Lubbock Estacado Matadors, and I've learned you can't eat off of people loving you."

Continuing Nichols, "You must have faith in God, he is the only



way." He says he's looking for the right girls to come along, and maybe, he utters: "Maybe God will bless me with her soon."

He thanks the Southwest Digest for allowing him this

opportunity to be seen in this issue. "I'm Black and kids all over the world of other races love me. I want to stand for good and I want to be somebody and the only way I can do that is to have faith in God. Pray for me."

Minority Visual Arts Competition

NEW YORK -- Proposals for new museum programs that would help advance the careers of minority artists and broaden the audience for their works are now being accepted by the Metropolitan Life Foundation Museum Grants for Minority Visual Arts competition. Deadline for entries is January 10, 1985.

The Museum Grants for Minority Visual Arts competition awards a total of \$100,000 annually to museum programs which best address these foundation goals. This is the second year of the three-year

program. Eligible are nonprofit museums, galleries and arts centers that have art works as a major part of their collections and that have been in existence 10 or more years. For this competition, artists must be living American citizens or resident aliens working in the visual arts included are drawing, painting, works-on-paper, sculpture, photography and printmaking.

"These awards are designed to encourage museums to take new initiatives in contemporary American art," said Sibyl Jacobson, president of the Metropolitan Life Foundation. "We want to help museums, which are vital to the quality of

life of our communities, add to their program offerings and stimulate the growth of audiences."

The program is also designed to encourage collaboration between museums and local community groups. Museums can include efforts such as exhibitions, acquisitions, commissions and artists' residences with local minority arts organizations and cultural centers.

Winners of the 1984 competition are: The Arkansas Arts Center, Little Rock; Crocker

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Today's Black Woman Magazine

"Revolutionary Hope: A conversation between James Baldwin and Audre Lorde" in the December issue of the Essence Magazine

College in New York City. Her most recent book is Sister Outsider (Crossing Press).

Other features in the December Issue:
Stevie Wonder: Still Reaching for Higher Ground; Jay Ruckett Cain takes a look at n

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WOISHPID AS A DAILY THIS WEEK

RUBY JAY'S CORNER

Services at New Hope Baptist Church began with Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. with Supt. Swain at his post of duty.

During the morning worship hour, Deacon Swayn and Brother Charles Blue led prayer. The combined choirs sang. The sermon of the morning was delivered by our pastor, Rev. S. C. Nash. His subject was "Emissar, The Stone of Help." His scripture was 1 Samuel 7:7-12. A burning message, and enjoyed by all.

At 6 p. m., the Baptist Training Union met with a nice number present for the last Sunday in 1984. Keep up the good works in 1985.

At the 7 p. m., the Mission Program for the fifth Sunday was held. The theme was "Striving For A New Start in Christian Fellowship." There was a panel discussion led by Sisters Floreze Stockley - LOVE; Lucille Jackson - RESPECT; Elnora Dyer - ONENESS; Allie Thompson - GROWTH IN CHRIST. The panel summary was done by Missionary R. B. Thompson. It was a very good panel. Panel moderator was Joan Y. Ervin.

The Radio Choir broadcast program began at 9 p. m. with guest speaker being Missionary Sister R. B. Thompson. This being Missionary Sunday, her thought came from II Samuel. It was very good. New Hope's own Johnnie Walker and Elnora Dyer sang a duet.

Don't forget to whisper a prayer for our sick and shut ins. Among them are: Mr. George Woods, Mr. D. C. Fair, Sr., Mrs. R. A. Harris - who is home from the hospital. Mrs. Louise Hill is a patient at Community Hospital. Mrs. Valeria Johnson Drake is still in

New Year CityWide Concert Set Saturday

Phenix Productions is sponsoring a New Year CityWide Fellowship Gospel Concert Saturday, January 5, 1985 beginning at 8 p. m. at the Youth Outreach Center, 1821 Parkway Drive.

Master of ceremonies of the program will be Rev. P. B. Phenix. The public is invited to attend this special service. "We want everyone to come and cooperate with us," said Rev. Phenix.



Rev. P. B. Phenix

All local talent - including Choirs, Soloists, Special Groups and all Churches of the city - are invited to worship.

Evangelist for the week will be Rev. Charles Tanner, pastor of the Hope Deliverance Church of God in

Texas spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Ruby Hollins; her sisters - Mary Roberts and Louise West. Their nephew from Nebraska - Sammie Sims - was also here.

Mary Houston nee Mary Ann Lea - daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lea - visited the Hub City for the holidays. She resides in Carson, California. She is also the sister of Emma Lea.

Emma Lea motored to San Angelo, Texas to visit relatives and friends for New Year's Day. She was accompanied by Mr. Charles Lewis of San Angelo.

The Pastor's Fellowship Christmas Day Worship Service was held at New Hope Baptist Church Christmas Day, December 25th. The sermon of the hour was delivered by Rev. Herman Phillips, pastor of Rising Star Baptist Church.

Rev. S. C. Nash is president. Rev. Larry L. Polk, Sr., vice president.

Mrs. Mittie Wallace has just returned from Los Angeles, California where she spent two weeks. While there, she attended the church of services of Rev. R. L. Waters, former pastor of Rising Star Baptist Church. She reported a splendid trip.

BLACK MINISTER SUES TAX ADVOCATE

The Rev. Alvin Leonard Dortch, former executive director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference-West (SCLC-W) office in Los Angeles and minister of the Church of Survival, Inc., will be listening intently to an arbitrator this month when a hearing is held to determine the outcome of a multi-million dollar lawsuit filed against noted California tax advocate Howard Jarvis.

Rev. Dortch was chairman of the Coalition for Economic Survival, an organization designed to lobby for legislation benefitting low to moderate income residents and senior citizens, when Jarvis in a televised debate told the minister: "Your community is not very bright and you are ignorant."

Black viewers flooded the station (KABC-TV, Ch. 7, ABC) with telephone calls immediately following the debate and Black readers of metropolitan daily newspapers were outraged, not only at Jarvis' insensitive comment, but also at the vast coverage given to a person many members of Black communities have suspected for years of being racist.

Rev. Dortch filed a \$2.5 million dollar slander suit in Los Angeles Superior Court against Jarvis, author of the property tax cutting and controversial Proposition 13, who later gained prominence in

the U.S. as other states sought him out to attempt to solve so-called tax problems in a manner similar to California. Several Black political leaders indicated that the Jarvis Proposition 13 tax thrust "bode ill for Black people."

In the aftermath of the dispute, the Rev. Al Dortch found it difficult to continue his religious and community activities in Southern California, and a relocation back East did not help his situation since many of the major Black newspapers in America carried some account of the controversy and Rev. Dortch charges that he was denied an associate pastorate in Cleveland, where he was ordained, as a result of Jarvis' published remarks.

Before the Jarvis debate, moderated by CBS commentator Bill Stout, Rev. Dortch had successfully administered a VISTA (Volunteers In Services to America) program and developed employment and training opportunities at the Avalon-Carver Community Center on behalf of destitute residents, parolees and ex-drug abusers; and all through the 1970s, worked with the Neighborhood Adult Participation Project (NAPP) in capacities from caseworker and counsellor up to administrative assistant to the project director, where he supervised activities of 14 NAPP community centers.

After travelling and speaking nationally on behalf of SCLC-West, Rev. Dortch and members of his church created, planned and

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast will meet Saturday, January 5, 1985 at 9 a. m. in the home of our president, Mrs. Juanita Sowa, 2404 East 9th Street. Everyone is looking forward to seeing many of you present. We will walk into 1985 by faith and not by sight.

As never before in spirit, health and all the good things which makes you happy.

To the staff and editors of the Southwest Digest, we love each of you, and because of you we are in homes all over ministering to the sick, bereaved, depressed, the lost - with word

and prayers. In Jesus' name, and God bless you. "Happy New Year!" To all.

"Let's Pray" "Father in Heaven, we pray that you will open your eyes in 85 to people everywhere who need the gospel. Remove from our hearts and minds the barriers which keep us from fulfilling your great commission. May we look to you for strength, health and guidance as we serve you. In the name of Jesus, we pray AMEN."

If you feel led to do so call us at 747-7326 or 762-3347. Or you may write to us: P. O. Box 1223, Lubbock, Texas 79408. We love you. See you Saturday. Come alive in 85.

Can any good come out of Nazareth? Come and see. Mrs. Juanita Sowa, president; Mrs. Christine Burleson, vice president; Mrs. Wilford Boggs, secretary; and Mrs. Dorothy Hood, reporter

Faith First Missionary Baptist Church

1504 East 15th & Oak Street, Rev. B. F. Roberts, Jr., Pastor

Church Slogan - "The Church reaching the whole world through Faith First." Hebrews 11:1

The title of the Sunday School lesson last Sunday morning was "Believe and Receive Life." The scripture was John 2:1-11; 3:16-18. The purpose of this lesson was to show that in the believing, trusting relationship with Christ, we experience life, and that God offers life to all.

During the 11:00 morning worship hour, responsive reading was taken from Matthew 18:15-20.

Pastor B. F. Roberts' morning message was from Judges 16:26-31. His subject was "Abiding in God."

Visitors for the morning included: Annette Willis, Karshena Willis, Tammy Tillman and Ruthan Price.

Pastor Roberts' evening message was taken from Romans 12:1-2. His subject was "The Bible: Biblical Definition of Stewardship."

Baptist Training Union began at 6 p. m. Night service began at 7 p. m.

The Evangelical Board of the Missionary Baptist General Convention of Texas will convene in Dallas, Texas at St. Phillips

Missionary Baptist Church, 6000 Singing Hills Drive, January 14-16, 1985.

The Stewardship Seminar will be held at Faith First Wednesday, January 2, 1985 through the 4th at 7:00 p. m. each evening. It will close out January 6th at 9:30 a. m.

Closing Topic - Resolution

I will like Paul, forget those things which are behind and press forward.

Like David, lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence

cometh my help. Like Abraham, trust implicitly in my God. Like Enoch, walk in daily fellowship with my heavenly father. Like Jehoshaphat, prepare my heart to seek God. Like Moses, choose rather to suffer than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season. Like Daniel, commune with God at all times. Like Job, be patient under all circumstances. Like Calele & Joshua, refuse to be discouraged because of superior numbers. Like Joseph, turn my back on

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"We Thank God For Jesus" Lord, Why Do The Heathen Rage?

Psalms 2:1-2 - Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain foolish thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord.

Lord Jesus, I pray that the Christian Brothers and Sisters will pray for one of our Brothers - Rev. Jesse Jackson - for the devil has made him host an ungodly program called "Saturday Night Live" - a disgraceful show of filth of this world. Let's pray that he repent and return to the Lord before it's too late. If blind leads the blind, guess what happens? They both fall into a ditch. Matthew 4:19 - Jesus said: Follow me.

Luke 22:31 - Jesus said: Satan hath desired to have you that he may sift you as wheat.

Lord, our leaders! Let the devil take prayer out of school, the land is full of heathens, now who's the fool??

Lord, they're robbing and stealing, ending up in jail.

Their life's ruined and they're living in hell. That's why the heathen rage.

II Timothy 3:1-5 - They know that in the last days perilous (dangerous) times shall come.

Traitors, heady (playing...) highminded, Lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

Galatians 6:7 - Be not deceived, God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

John 10:27-28 - Jesus, my sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. And I give them eternal life; and

they shall never perish, never shall any man pluck them out of my hand.

Lord, we see the trouble we in, near and far.

The T. V. is't telling us where the troubles lie.

Lord, our so called equal rights have all turned out to be wrongs. (Abortion, homosexual, and drugs) Lord, why do the heathen rage??

Matthew 5:13-14 - Jesus said: Ye are the salt of the earth; but if the salt has lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. Ye are the light of the world; a city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

I Corinthians 10:31 - Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, what so ever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

II Corinthians 6:14-18 - Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? And what communion hath light with darkness? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? For ye are the temple of the living God, as God has said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Revelations 2:4-5 - Jesus said: Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent. And do the first works, or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

"Lord, please bless America" God is not through with us yet! Let's pray for one another always. AMEN

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Written by Billy "B. J." Morrison, III Your Brother in Christ Jesus Always.

"Thank You"

Thanks to all of you from the Mae Simmons Senior Citizens and Supervisor who helped us in our special Christmas effort. Among those we thank include: Rev. L. Polk, Sr., Rev. Kado Lang, Rev. A. L. Patrick, Lubbock Branch of NAACP, City Wide Ushers, and others for helping with our Senior Santa Program. Also to American Legion Post 808 for the fruit punch and cookies.

We thank Mary & Mac Private School and Ella R. Iles School for taking out the time for us. You all made our Christmas complete. It wouldn't have been a Merry Christmas without the efforts of each of you.

Hope you had a Merry Christmas, and may you have a Happy New Year!

Thanks again, Ollie Johnson, Director, Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center

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Let's Ask Aunt Dee Dee

By Edda R. Pittman



DEAR AUNT DEE DEE:

I thoroughly disagree with your advice to the protocol when "meeting through the aor" - to use your own phrasology. I always insist that my dates come right over to my apartment. How else can you determine compatibility, except one-on-one in a private environment?

There's something fake about going through all the elaborate arrangements most people seem to make for their rendezvous. Sometimes my dates spend the night, and sometimes they don't.

Exactly what does going to the trouble of meeting in a public place prove anyway, Aunt Dee Dee?

PERPLEXED SINGLE:

It is difficult to tell from your letter whether you are male or female, but you should definitely consider yourself lucky if you have been allowing strangers to share your "environment" on the basis of one phone call. Just how do you get them to leave when you determine they aren't compatible while they are professing undying devotion?

Please do not write to Aunt Dee Dee to complain when some stranger shows up at your door with a moving van (complete with dollies, pads, and a particularly vicious looking driver) and

demands, at gunpoint, to clean out your apartment of those priceless antiques!

DEAR AUNT DEE DEE:

Although my two previous marriages ended with bitter feelings on both sides, I continue to be an optimist and seek Mr. Right. Mr. Alvin Right would do. Anything would be an improvement over my present situation.

However, it seems that no one will approach me or even strike up a conversation in a singles bar. My girlfriends say that Mr. Right is not about to come my way as long as I continue to wear my wedding rings from those marriages. I have one set on each

hand. Aunt Dee Dee, those diamonds are flawless, and I can't no more take them off now 'till I would go jump into the lake. Tell me, what

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WUNDER WHY?? THIS N THAT ... plus many others in the ... **COMMUNITY** ... have asked why the ... **LOU RAWLS PARADE OF STARS** ... wasn't shown local ... **SATURDAY** ... December 23th ... as was the case in many ... **CITIES** ... in the USA ... **SURE** ... we are away from much of the ... **ACTIVITY** ... which affect ... **BLACK PEOPLE & OTHER MINORITIES** ... but one day ... hopefully ... we'll be ... on the right ... **FREQUENCY** ... Perhaps if ... **BLACK PEOPLE** ... in particular ... would enlighten ... local ... **TELEVISION STATIONS** ... what is of importance to it ... **BLACK COMMUNITY** ... maybe this kind of input would help to bring in such cultural affairs program ... as the ... **LOU RAWLS PARADE OF STARS** ... which supports the effort of the ... **UKTED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND** ... could be understood here ...

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Kaleidoscope

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Kaleidoscope was conceived and created at the suggestion of Donald J. Hall, Chairman of the Board of Hallmark Cards, after he saw a children's participatory art show in the late 1960s. Hallmark design teams expanded the concept into a traveling art exhibit/workshop.

The original traveling Kaleidoscope debuted in 1969. It traveled to more than 150 towns in 23 states, attracting approximately half a million children.

Kaleidoscope opened in its permanent home in Kansas City's Crown Center in 1975. Approximately 6,000 children visit the exhibit/workshop monthly.

Since going on the road in November, 1978, the traveling Kaleidoscope has entertained more than 300,000 youngsters.

Traveling with Kaleidoscope to train volunteers and act as a consultant during the eight-day session is Vicky Willows, associate director of the exhibit.

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they've ... **DISAPPEAR-ED.**

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NATIONAL HOLIDAY! Come next year ... **1986** ... January 15th ... will officially be the ... **NATIONAL HOLIDAY** ... for the birthday of the late ... **DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**

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ABOUT ... and there are so many projects ... which could be used for such an effort.

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Art Visual
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Art Museum, Sacramento, Calif.; Fresno Arts Center, Calif.; The Oakland Museum, Calif.; The Newark Museum, N.J.; The National Museum of American Art, The Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C., and The University of Iowa Museum of Art, Iowa City. The Metropolitan Life foundation, established in 1976



GOLDEN, Colo. - City & Suburban Distributing, 1501 W. Pershing Rd., has been appointed to distribute Coors products in Chicago, according to a recent announcement by the nation's fifth largest brewer.

Herman Russell, owner and president of City & Suburban, will be responsible for a territory that includes most of the city of Chicago and several suburban areas, making it the largest potential Coors distributorship in the current 38 state market area. Russell also owns City Beverage, a Coors distributorship in Atlanta, Ga.

Responsible for the day-to-day operation of this distributorship will be John Geocaris, 33, executive vice president and general manager, and Randy Hull, 35, vice president and assistant general manager.

"We are excited about the potential for the Chicago market and are preparing ourselves for the challenge of this tough beer market," Russell said, "but Coors is a quality product that should make a great competitor, and will certainly be in high demand."

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NAACP Protest

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The demonstrations and demands by the NAACP's Pittsburgh branch are part of an on-going effort to bring about improved conditions and ultimately the abolition of the system of apartheid in South Africa. Most recently in March, the Pittsburgh branch was successful in closing a South African honorary consulate after two years of demonstrations and protests against their government's repressive racial policies.

Mr. Kinkle testified in two Pittsburgh City Council public hearings in November on proposed ordinances pertaining to investments of public money controlled by Pittsburgh and loans made to South Africa. Mr. Kinkle testified in support of legislation that would withdraw the city's investments from South Africa.

"We want to bar American corporations from doing business with South Africa," Mr. Kinkle said. "Corporations have ignored even the Sullivan principle, which call on firms to adhere to equal and fair employment practices for all employees," he continued. "We want to make sure that public money is not used to support apartheid in South Africa."

The United States government, he said, has "a moral obligation to put a stop to the brutal and oppressive slavery in South Africa."

In Raleigh, N. C., the NAACP branch recently forced a local hotel and other businesses to stop awarding Kruggerands as prizes.

In Seattle, Washington, the NAACP branch is also actively involved in protests and demonstrations against an honorary South African consulate established in 1982.

Lacy Steele, president of the Seattle NAACP branch, said his organization found out about the consulate last November. Shortly afterwards, he said, "more than 1,000 people demonstrated one Sunday in front of the consulate, which is located in a predominately black area." More than 23 people have been arrested thus far in the demonstrations. However, Mr. Steele said, the NAACP and other concerned groups "will not stop demonstrating until the consulate is closed for good." He said they will conduct demonstrations every Sunday. Mayor Charles Royer of Seattle has also written a letter to the South African consulate asking them to close the honorary consulate. The NAACP, he said, will continue to crusade against apartheid in South Africa until its 26 million black citizens obtain freedom and justice, he declared.

Faith First

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all evil advances. Like Gideon, advance even though friends be few. Like Aaron & Hur, uphold the hands of my pastor and the leaders of my church with my prayers and support. Like Andrew, strive to lead my brother to Christ. Like Stephen, manifest a forgiving spirit toward all who seek my trust.

Faith First is into promoting the Church and moving to higher ground. It's one of our main priorities. We have a great potential and high goals to meet. Winning souls and helping everyone and turning no one away is greatly needed in Christian Churches today. Christ's return is sooner than we think. We want Him to find us doing His will when He comes back to get us.

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Post, Taxes

Pleasant Home Baptist Church News

Church Members: The Church where everybody is somebody. Y's, Holy Greetings to everyone. Here we are again, perhaps a week late this time because of the holidays. It is a wonderful day which the Lord has made for us to see and enjoy as his children. Everyone was at their post of duty last Sunday. Devotional services were led

Getting Along

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independence and self-improvement. I think the black community should be educated more often by blacks who have risen despite their hardships than from government agencies. After all, that's just another form of slavery. -- Name withheld, Houston, Texas.

Dear Reader: We frequently hear statements such as yours. They prove how little you know about the black community, that in fact you have been very observant of the white community, either. Only a few successful whites make a conscious effort to help less-successful whites. The same is true of blacks. Why do you expect blacks to be more humane than whites?

Because you are not a member of a black church, lodge, school or other social organization, you don't see blacks helping blacks. Until recently, blacks didn't control "people-helping" government agencies, so you didn't see blacks helping blacks from these positions. Because such agencies have money and power, it's often difficult for blacks to get into positions of power and visibility, blacks have been closed out of major wealth in this country, therefore you only see a handful of blacks in a position to help other blacks financially.

However, many blacks are helping blacks. This will occur even more as blacks gain greater political and economic power. Self-interest drives group interest-- it's the American way. And that's why, as a group and as individuals, we must continue to "cry and blame others" when it's justified. The denial of justice in the court, inadequate educational and employment opportunities and a great many other continuing problems deny us the strength to help ourselves and our people.

We point to a fair society when we can. But to do so more than is justified would be like pretending the window on the third floor of an apartment building was the door leading to the stairway, it could be disastrous.

Please send your questions to Drs. Comer and Poussaint in care of this newspaper. The volume of mail received prohibits personal replies, but questions and comments of general interest will be discussed in future columns.

Essence

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master musician's vision of life and art. Stevie is pictured in a rare shot with his mother, Lula Mae Hardaway. (Matthew Ralston Photo)

The Cotton Club: Tellin' It Like It Was? When "The Cotton Club" opens in movie theaters later this month, will it be true to the history of the famed night spot?-- Bonnie Allen tells all.

Black America in the Year 2000: What the Trends Say: Vanessa J. Gallman writes about eight political and social forces that are certain to alter Black life during the rest of this century.

ESSENCE, which will celebrate its 15th anniversary next May, is one of the fastest-growing women's magazines in the United States. It has a monthly circulation of 800,000 (effective January '85 issue) and 3.7 million readers. Its parent company, Essence Communications, Inc. (ECI) included ESSENCE television Productions, Inc., which produces "Essence, the Television Program," a nationally syndicated magazine show; and ESSENCE Direct Mail Marketing, which distributes Essence By Mail, a catalogue aimed at Black consumers. ECI also merchandises ESSENCE Intimates, a line of women's apparel.

by Deacon Jim Gaby and Sisters Fister Wynn and Thelma Moore. Sister Wynn read St. Luke 2:1-14. Our visiting minister was Elder Wesley W. Parnett who brought a wonderful message from the Cook of St. Luke 1:26-38. His subject was "Let's Hear the Word of God." He truly spoke to our Lord. God is still in his Holy Temple here.

Elder Burnett came to us from the Presbyterian Church. You are always welcome to Pleasant Home. You should always feel free to come anytime. You are always welcome. You truly made our day. Our Christmas program was just wonderful. You who missed it really missed a great blessing. Of course, the youth were really wonderful.

Our sick and shut-in list includes: Sisters Della Smith, Elizabeth Jones and Emma Griffin who are all in their residences.

Sisters Lizzie White, Sirlonia Steel and Brothers Harry Trouble and Raymond Latson are all patients in Golden Plains Care Center. Please continue in prayer for their speedy recovery.

Rev. Arthur Kelly, pastor; Rev. John James, Jr., associate pastor; and Sister Annie Bates Gilbert, reporter.

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Texas Employment Commission

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Nabers is the wife of former state Representative Lynn Nabers, an attorney. They have two sons, Scott and Tim.

While in Brownwood, Nabers was active in a variety of business and civic pursuits, including serving as Director of the Brownwood Chamber of Commerce. She was on the board of Directors of the Brown County United Fund and American Heart Association, received the Outstanding Service Award and was named Brownwood Woman of the Year. She is also past president of the Texas Legislative Ladies.

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BLACK POETRY

A Walk Down the Back Roads

While walking down the back roads, I saw the present and the past. Come things from both I hope we'll last.

Walking through the back roads, I've seen Integration, Liberation and Condemnation Intercasting on one accord.

I see a vision through the back roads of the late greats Martin Luther King, John F. Kennedy and Malcolm X. This vision is very clear.

For the things which they fought for Are things which should be treasured always.

On the back roads I've found deferences which have been trampled upon. The loss of Black pride, Lack of awareness concerning the culture within the Black institution, The still apparent inferior attitude.

There are so many things within the back roads that are clear. And many things which still need to come about.

For all ancestors we've brought here through the back roads. And all not of their own free will.

They had to fight for the word American and still the term is unclear. For many have paved the freedom road.

Many things have yet to be seen, For only those who have felt America's strife know what the back roads mean.

—Gina Angelique McLiechey

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	AGES 60 & OVER	23.00	MONTH
FULL FAMILY	AGES 0-39	\$ 9.00	MONTH
	AGES 40-49	15.00	MONTH
	AGES 50-54	18.00	MONTH
	AGES 55-59	24.00	MONTH
	AGES 60 & OVER	26.00	MONTH

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